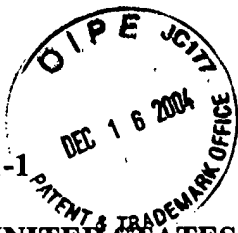


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In re Application of

GOOTHERTS, PAUL DAVID

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated June 16, 2004 for three months from October 13, 2004 to December 16, 2004.

Please charge to Deposit Account No. 08-2025 the sum of 1,020.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No.: 08-2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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